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To Members of the Labor Committee:

My name is Brenda Koeppel, Payroll Coordinator at Bicron Electronics Co. in Canaan, CT.

I am writing to voice my opposition to SB-63, which would require Connecticut employers to provide paid sick leave. This proposal will substantially increase Bicron's business costs and could force Bicron to reevaluate the other benefits provided to its employees.

The economic situation has already forced Bicron to lay off a number of employees, and I fear that further costs to the company could mean many more of us could lose our jobs.

I urge you to reject this proposal and work with the business community to control labor and workplace costs in Connecticut. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Brenda Koeppel